

Delaware Standardbred Breeders' Fund

Board Meeting

December 5, 2018

Delaware Standardbred Breeders' Fund Board
Department of Agriculture –Conference Room 1
Dover, Delaware

In Attendance:

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| Judy Davis-Wilson | Secretary M. Scuse |
| Garrett Bell | Secretary R. Geisenberger |
| Garnet O'Marrow | Wayne Givens |
| Matt Sparacino | |
| Andrew Markano | |
| Sen. Bruce Ennis | |

Secretary Scuse call the meeting to order at 1:02. Motion by Senator Ennis to accept the Minutes as sent via e-mail and second by Garrett Bell. None opposed.

First on the Agenda was Regulation 14.4 under Section 14.0

“Nomination and Sustaining Payments-Discussion and comments ensued pertaining to the options available for providing a copy of a yearling “USTA” registration paper or the “Basic Horse” report that is available on the USTA Pathways system. Technology and digital copies advances by leaps and bounds every day. Secretary Geisenberger pointed out that in other areas of state government that this accounts for about 2% who have issues with using computers and filing digitally and it costs a lot to just keep that 2% going using the paper avenue. Bottom line is Donna Krol or Judy will help anyone who comes in and run the report for them. The entire report request takes less than two minutes. Goal of this change is to clarify and make the process simple for everyone. Motion passed.

Stallion Guides-Statistics were presented on the increase in the numbers of mares bred in 2018. While this was good most of the number was because Winbak brought two syndicated stallions down from Canada. Syndicate members don't use books. They send the mares wherever the stallion stands to use the shares they own. Garnet felt the electronic version was good if it could be returned to the format of 2017 where one could pull up an individual. Secretary Scuse committed to funding for half the printed number of 2018 in 2019 .That means 250 printed copies. Motion passed to fund the guide in 2019.

Named Race at Dover Downs-Introduced by Judy to name the 2 year old filly trot at Dover Downs in honor of Marvin Bachrad. Motion by Garrett Bell,

2nd by Sen Ennis. All concurred and in the fall of 2019 the regular blanket given to the winner will have Marv's name embroidered on it.

The dates of the 3-year old races were discussed in that this program is the only one where we race 2-year olds late and make them come back in March. Secretary Scuse stated it would be wise to hold off on mandating any changes in race dates until after the new management takes over.

The commercial sales market was discussed and the opportunity to sell a yearling at Harrisburg or the online way which reduces a lot of expenses for the seller. With that the meeting ended in a record 32 minutes with a motion by Senator Ennis to adjourn at 1:34.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Davis-Wilson